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*This
World*
VIRGINIA JENKINSON

We have spent many Christmas seasons in many places. Fondest, of course, are the wonderfully full holidays of our youth, spent in midwestern blizzards and snow. The excitement of New York at Christmastime when that whole wonderful city breaks into one big sentimental Santa Claus and shows a heart as big as the city itself . . . and the beauty of bright, clear Christmas days spent on the desert . . . all of these have been our lot.

But Christmas season 1953 will have a special place in our hearts for it was then that our four-year-old daughter gave us a thrill that will remain with us always.

It happened the other night after she was tucked away in bed and was a thought to be asleep. The television was turned on to hear a famous voice sing Christmas music. We had just settled ourselves around the fireplace to enjoy the treat when out of the darkness of her room came the clear, firm notes of our little girl . . . joining the famous one in "Silent Night" . . . every note pure magic to her parents.

Exaltation filled our hearts with the realization that this beautifully rich music would now be a part of her world to be cherished throughout the days of her life. Merry Christmas!

*Around
the Square*

By VERA H. LUMBAR

No novelty to the folks whose families remember back to when Sierra Madre was a "tract" and "Lucky" Baldwin eyed our water supply. Sierra Madre's charms are daily discoveries to this newcomer and are as bright and heart-lifting as the ornaments we have just placed one by one on our Christmas tree.

We are charmed by the mist on the mountains, the bird (?) sounds at night that we extravagantly think of as "tropical," the spreading branches of the giant avocado tree in our front yard, the new-to-us dichondra, the sparkling spread of the Valley lights at night, the gentle slope of the foothill streets, especially after Connecticut's winter-iced steepness—the comradery of the business leaders as they do their morning sweeping. Yes, it's mostly the people, the nice, kind policemen, the patient, courteous City councilmen, and all the others.

All right. We're not altogether bemused by the flattering glow of the Christmas tree lights. Maybe some of those sloping streets ARE lumpy, parking chaotic, the mountains sometimes gone awry in the smog, the fruit of the avocado STUFFED with calories, that dichondra riddled with gophers, the gendarmes sometimes testy about all those barking dawgs and the zero-paid, hard working councilmen a mile late with a How Things Stand report.

It's the little things and incomparable people of this small town we like. We couldn't get along without Bea Thompson, Elen Brown, Martha Coutant, Pam Campion, Margaret Buckner and the other busy gals that help us with our reporting, Woodson's top on the window, Percy Bonebrake's sophisticated banter, the police chief's pleasant reserve, Morry's coffee, Jim Heasley's serenades, the wonderful small-townishness of it when Don Jackson says on the phone, "You can catch Bob Green right now, I can see him walking past your place!"

So you can see we don't miss at ALL such things as revolving doors, elevators, appointments just to TALK to someone, or tense, frowning people on the New York diet of benzedrine and sleeping pills.

FROM PUERTO RICO
BAKERS EXPECT VISITORS

City Administrator R. Merritt Baker will have a reunion this weekend with his son and daughter-in-law, Attorney and Mrs. Robert M. Baker of San Turce, Puerto Rico, whom he hasn't seen in six years.

**309 Citizens
Cast Votes on
School Issue**

**ERC, Board to Study
Election Effect on
Local School System**

Of 4789 currently registered voters in Sierra Madre, 309 went to the City school voting place Friday, Dec. 18, to ballot in the Pasadena School District election on two propositions, the separate withdrawals of Temple City and La Canada from the Pasadena High School district.

With the majority of voters in the remainder of the district, Sierra Madre, Pasadena and Altadena, giving both plans their approval, the decisions were made by the vote in the affected areas and resulted in La Canada remaining in the district and Temple City voting overwhelmingly to withdraw from the district and to unify its own schools system.

Breakdown of the vote in Sierra Madre is: Temple City proposition, 278 yes; 31 no, and La Canada, 276 yes votes and 33 noes.

The change in the school system set up presents a complexity of problems for all the districts and, according to Pasadena School Board members and administrators, it will probably result in abandonment of the 6-4-4 plan of organization and conversion to the 6-3-3-2.

Local school administrators and board members are studying the effect of the withdrawal on the remainder of the district, particularly Sierra Madre. The school board of trustees, of which Dr. Milton Valois is president, will meet next month with the Education Research committee, Severin Sorenson, chairman, to evaluate the results of the election and the course of action indicated.

**BOTH ANDREWS
HEARINGS NOW
SET FOR JAN. 12**

The public hearing on a zone change requested by R. D. Andrews, scheduled for this week's meeting of the City council, was held over to Jan. 12 to coincide with a hearing on Andrews' appeal from a variance ruling, made by the City Planning Commission.

Andrews, who wishes legal sanction for construction of a service station on his R-1 property on the southeast corner of Sierra Madre Blvd. and Michilinda, has been denied both a zone-change and a variance by the Planning commission.

He is represented by Atty. Noren F. Eaton. Those adjacent property owners protesting both a zone change and a variance are represented by Atty. Robert A. Keller of San Marino.

**Monte Vista Lane
Residents Brush Up
Their Brand New Street**

Making for all the world like a group of busy Dutch housewives, a group of men who live and own property on Monte Vista Lane, a private street, spent a good part of last Saturday and Sunday sweeping their new street.

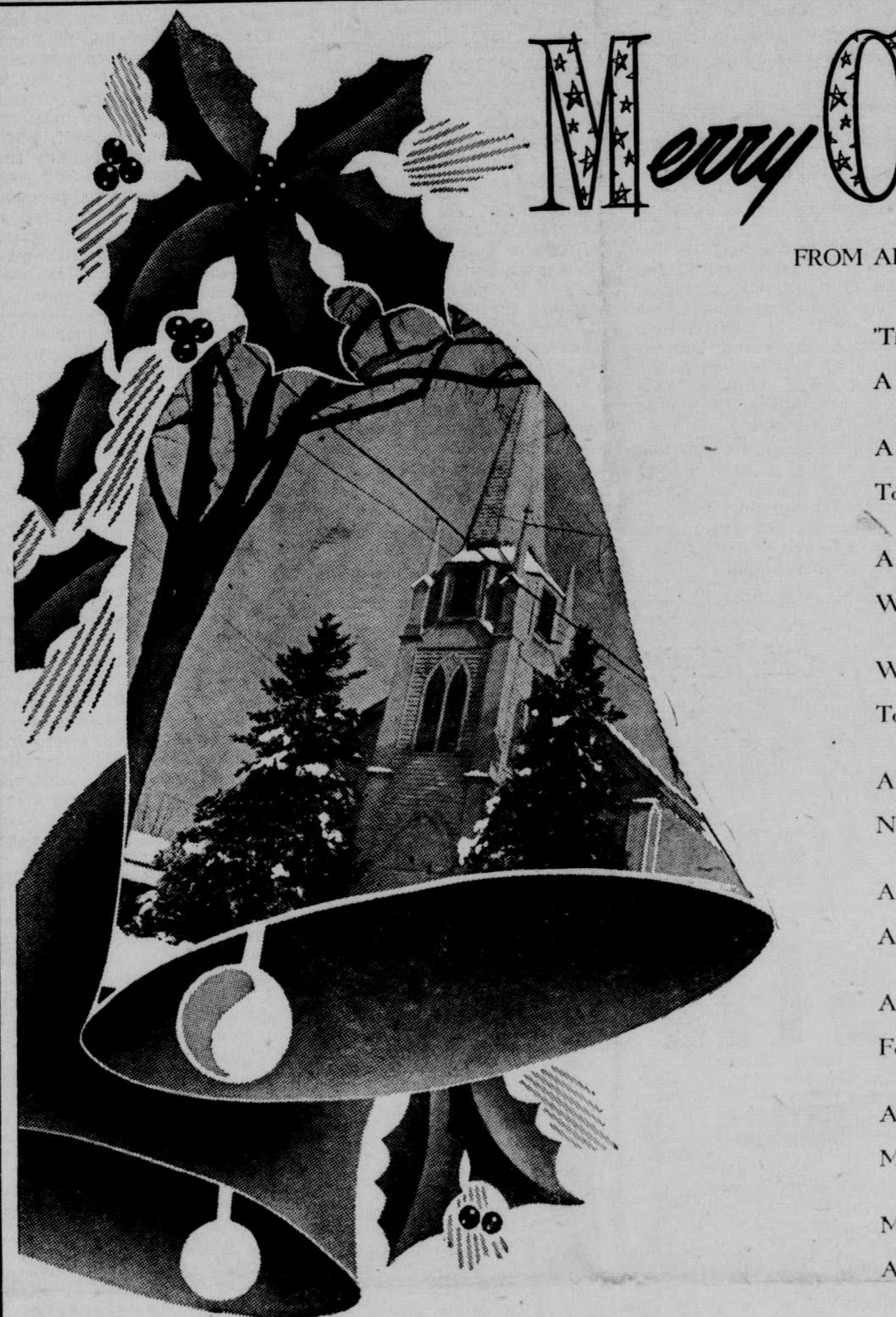
It wasn't just a house-keeping job, however. The property owners recently had a complete job done on their street and a turn-around put in and the men were sweeping dry cement into the top coat as a seal.

Making up sweeping parties at various times during the weekend were Douglas Spencer, Russell Graham, Philip Mitchell, Godfrey Lumsdon, Richard Moule, Bill Brown, Wallace Osbrink, Frank Cameron, Jim Fowler and Gene Rothenberger.

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Season's Greetings

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**Kiwanis Club
To Install
David H. Allen**

David H. Allen, incoming president, and other 1954 officers of the Sierra Madre Kiwanis club, will be installed Tuesday, Dec. 29, at a luncheon meeting in the Woman's clubhouse. Installing officer will be Edward J. Pollack of Ontario. Kiwanis division 15 lieutenant-governor, Allen will succeed Knox Hagar in the presidency.

This week Kiwanis members and guests, a party of 28 in all, made their annual Christmas-time visit to the Plaza Community Center Children's Home where they were addressed by Miss Elsie Gibson, manager of the Home since it was established in 1925, and were entertained by one of the children, 8-year-old Gloria Smith, who has lived in Sierra Madre 30 years and is an engineer at Aerojet-General, in Azusa.

**Sierra Madreans Picked
To Ride 'Hondo' Float**

Two tall, good-to-look-at Sierra Madreans and a 10-year-old boy that's ALL boy, have been selected to ride on Sierra Madre's float in the New Year's Day Rose Parade. In addition, there will be an "Indian," as yet un-named by the Boy Scouts.

The float theme is "Hondo," a movie with a Mexican setting produced by the float's co-sponsor, Wayne F. Fellows Productions Inc., and to be released Christmas Day in Los Angeles by Warner Brothers. John Wayne is the star of the movie and George M. McRoberts III, 140 E. Alegria, will portray Hondo Lane on the float. He's tall and rangy—6'4"—large featured and 35 years old. He has lived in Sierra Madre 30 years and is an engineer at Aerojet-General, in Azusa.

An Inventor, Too
McRoberts recently achieved a degree of fame with his inventions, in conjunction with another engineer, of two underwater apparatuses, a one-man submarine and an "aquaped" or underwater bicycle, which were written up in Life Magazine and shown in newsreels.

Bohart's Son Chosen

Arthur Bohart, 10-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Bohart, co-presidents of the PTA, will be on the float as Hondo's son. It first was planned to have a mongrel dog as the third occupant of the float but the Tournament of Roses association thought this not advisable, so instead there will be an "Indian" lurking somewhere and Col. Marriott has asked the Mt. Wilson District Boy Scouts to find an Eagle Scout for the part.

The float is shaping up. Col. Marriott inspected the super-structure yesterday at Miller Brothers in Alhambra where it is being built.

Decorations Needed
Decorating by volunteer Sierra Madreans can start as early as

refusal to intervene, followed. **Cornyn Opinion Confirmed**
The foregoing also is judicial confirmation of the opinion of City Atty. T. Guy Cornyn who had advised all of the plaintiffs, the Sierra Madre City council and the Planning commission, that the Thurber procedure in the new residence was in due conformance to the Siedre Madre land use ordinance.

The case evoked the interest of area realtors for, according to a Pasadena Real Estate Board member, it is uncommon for a citizen to be sued for being within his city's laws.

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Manzanita Avenue Litigation Ends

The California Supreme court last week placed a period to litigation begun more than two years ago and involving Thor Christensen, Walter Brown, Guy Rossi and Raymond and Mary C. Martin, plaintiffs, and Col. and Mrs. Walter D. Thurber. All parties to the suit live on Manzanita Ave. between Park and Lima.

The suit was instituted when the plaintiffs sought a court order for the destruction of the Colonial-type cottage built by the Thurbers on the southeast corner of Park and Manzanita, claiming that it was in violation of the Sierra Madre building code.

When the Appellate court justices, in an opinion Oct. 1, 1953, sustained Judge Sprankle in his rulings, the plaintiffs asked for a rehearing which was refused. The Supreme court

Hope for Pool Bond Ballot in February

City Moves To Curb TV Wire Permits

Calling All Hands! Float Help Wanted, Willing to Travel

If you're a newcomer in California and have never helped glue flowers in a Rose Parade float, join in the fun. Call Col. Marriott, chairman, Custer 5-3768, and offer your services.

If you're an old hand at decorating, you're needed as much this year as ever before. Call Col. Marriott!

The flower-decking will start at noon on Dec. 29 and continue through New Year's Eve at Miller Brothers in Alhambra. Don't let transportation deter you, the chairman will help on that point.

To Announce Christmas Cup Award on 31st

Like everyone else, the men and women whom the NEWS has asked to serve as judges for the "Christmas Cup" store window and outdoor decorating contest, are busy with last-minute holiday chores.

But they're keeping their artistic eyes open as they shop around town. On Saturday, Dec. 26th, they will make a formal tour of the business section and will choose the cup-winner and "honorable mentions."

Announcement of their selections will be made in the Dec. 31st issue of the NEWS, a week later than previously announced. Roberts Market was winner last year.

Judges are Don Jensen, a commercial artist, and three other well-known local artists, Elmer and Myrtle Weese and Bea McIvor.

Merchants Continue Sponsoring Free Sat. A.M. Movies

The free Saturday morning movie shows at the Sierra Madre theater for children under 12 years of age, have been so well-attended that the sponsoring local merchants are continuing the series through the month of January.

The shows start at 10 a.m. every Saturday, last until noon. Tickets are available from the merchants. The feature movie this week is, "Annie Get Your Gun."

Merchant-hosts are: Sierra Madre Hardware, Club Sixty, Simpson Cleaners, Toy Village, Arnold's Hardware, Meyer TV, Ralph's Shoe Store, McKibben Furniture, Hartman's Pharmacy, Tiny's Cafe, Roberts Market, Youngland, Don Jackson Men's Store, Garland's, Osti's Laundry Service, Sierra Madre Cleaners and Richard Victor's.

Gusty Winds Make a
General Mess of Things

That was quite a wind that kept some folks hereabouts awake Monday night. Gusty, northeasterly winds of 40-50 miles per hour velocity, made a general mess of leaves and branches, blew in the Safeway store front window, toppled most of the sidewalk Christmas trees on business streets, scattered ornaments, and put loops in some telephone and power lines.

It also shattered a transom in the NEWS office and gave a tipsy tilt to the Christmas tree in the Plaza. Early Tuesday morning the city's motor-sweeper was restoring house-wifely neatness to the city streets.

Planning Commission Sets New Meeting Date For Monday, Dec. 28th

The City Planning commission, which had scheduled a regular meeting and three public meetings for last Thursday night, Dec. 17, was forced to cancel the meeting due to illness and lack of a quorum.

A meeting on the same agenda has now been set for Monday night, Dec. 28, in the City Hall council room. Planners meetings are open to the public.



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With location of a proposed municipal swimming pool still not established, the City council Tuesday night authorized the Los Angeles legal firm of O'Melveny and Myers to start proceedings immediately for a special election to approve issuance of bonds for financing such a pool. It is anticipated that, allowing for red-tape and public hearings, the election will be held in late February, the pool site possibly to be announced prior to that time.

In a surprise action Tuesday night, the City council also voted to instruct the Chief of Police to deny special permits after Jan. 1, 1954, for the stringing of TV wires across city streets.

Roberts Makes Motion

Councilman Harold F. Roberts said: "It would seem to me that the city should take steps to decrease its responsibility by limiting these installations pending the report soon to be received from Robert W. Davis of Arcadia on specifications and provisions for franchising city-wide master TV antenna system."

He then made the following motion which was approved: "I move that no further applications for extension of TV wires dependent on crossing over public streets shall be accepted by the Chief of Police, effective Jan. 1, 1954, and until further notice."

Pool Report Made

Roberts earlier had commented that if a franchise is granted for operation of a master TV antenna system to aid the city's "dark" areas, reimbursement might be expected by present operators of such a system and by their subscribers.

In his report to the council Charles H. James, chairman of the Parks and Recreation committee, said four areas other than the waterlands had been considered as possible pool locations, one just south of Bailey Canyon, a piece of P. E. property, the region of the Hall estate and the City park.

All were deemed more impractical than the City park which previously had been considered too small and which also presented construction complications.

Consider Smaller Plunge

"However," James said, "we might consider establishing in City park a small pool for the use of Sierra Madreans only, thereby designing the pool to fit the cloth, so to speak, and also modifying the nuisance which a pool might create."

Mayor Henry F. Korsmeier indicated that if a portion of the park were so used, other park facilities might be extended throughout the city.

James said, "That makes sense to me. It's not so much a matter of doing what we'd like to do as making do with what we have to work with."

Proceeding with plans for an early bond election was endorsed from the audience by Philip T. Mitchell, City Recreation director, and Judge John C. Mead, president of the Sierra Madre Swimming Pool association.

J. A. Redlon Named to Planning Commission

Appointment of John A. Redlon, 174 Oak Meadow Rd., to serve on the City Planning commission, was approved by the City council Tuesday night.

Redlon, an engineer with the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company, will fill the unexpired term through March, 1955, of William E. Bowers who had been serving as chairman of the commission.

WEATHER

	High	Low
Dec. 17.....	75	44
18.....	73	44
19.....	70	44
20.....	74	46
21.....	74	44
22.....	79	41
23.....	77	

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A Difficult Decision

Taking on a co-sponsor for our Rose Parade float is a departure, to be sure, for traditional Sierra Madre. For this reason alone it required courage for Col. Marriott, float chairman, to make the decision to do so, knowing that the announcement would be greeted with some reservation.

However, it was an expediency that cinches our place in the parade line-up and gives us an opportunity to re-charge our batteries for next year.

And we should be very glad that our co-sponsor is a top-drawer, cooperative one. If the co-sponsor is getting a "million

dollars worth of publicity" so is Sierra Madre, for a lesser investment.

The float being planned is not a super-sensational one, utterly out of keeping with Sierra Madre. It's a comparatively modest one considering what would have resulted from another offer the float chairman had. It's simply a matter of two parties sharing assets to attain a common goal.

At such times as this it would seem that presentation of a united front would be a more becoming attitude to maintain than being disgruntled or critical. This is NOT the time to be aroused. Earlier in the show, yes. Or next year when it is hoped the float project as a purely local endeavor will be re-visited.

Outsiders will be inclined to accept this at our own evaluation. We should accept the situation with good grace. Likewise, outsiders are all too eager to relish details of internal controversies in a small town.

Caltech Prexy Stresses Basic Research Need

Heart Ass'n Sponsoring Series of Public Talks

Basic research is important to the scientific strength of our nation and should be expanded rather than contracted now that hostilities have ceased in Korea. President L. A. DuBridge of the California Institute of Technology declared in his annual report to the board of trustees for the academic year, 1952-53.

Discussing campus activities, he said construction is expected to begin next year on a new chemical biology laboratory and a new athletic center.

The first meeting will be held Jan. 18 at 8 p.m. in Audubon Junior High School, Los Angeles. Another meeting will be held the night of Jan. 19 in the John Muir Junior college auditorium, Pasadena.

Lee Shippey asks

What Do You Think?

The Christmas trees our merchants have placed in front of their stores have greatly improved the appearance of our business area—not so much because of the decorations as because they are trees. Before any decorations were put on them they had greatly improved the downtown, and the decorations didn't really add much, except when they were lighted at night. And most of us are such quiet home bodies we rarely go out at night.

Notice the trees in front of the Medical Center—and then notice how bare the long treeless stretch between that building and Hermosa looks in comparison. If that whole block was decorated by trees it would look so much better that it would pay the city or the property owners to plant them. And the same thing applies to any other block in which trees are possible. If ours was known as the City of Trees, which it really is except along some streets where we have lost them, it would make a lot of people like it even more.

Real trees are so much more

restful, more artistic and more comforting to the mind than imitation or overdecorated trees that I can't help comparing our "main drag" with Hollywood Blvd. Thank Heaven, we have none of those stiff, stylized imitation trees here, and no Santa Claus parade with movie stars, and no Santa arriving by jet plane from Spaceland. Ours is a town in which one may enjoy Christmas for itself, without the aid of any phoney fad. We can gather our loved ones about us in quiet happiness—well, not entirely quiet, for all about is the sweetest music ever heard, the gleeful mingling of children's voices. We have a rather reverential Christmas—even I go to church on Christmas Day, and all of us more or less count our blessings and give thanks for them. Very few of us feel we have to get high, properly to celebrate Christmas, and when our family parties break up it is comforting to feel that no one is leaving in such condition that his driving may result in a funeral. All in all, Sierra Madre has always been a place to get away from it all, and I hope it stays that way.

Maybe that atmosphere springs from the fact that it always has been a city of trees. When it was part of Rancho Santa Anita, Lucky Baldwin made his ranch hands plow around trees instead of cutting them down, which is why the Oaks area of Arcadia and the fringe of Sierra Madre is what it is, and why thousands of other trees still stand. Lucky was famed for his love of horses, trees—and ladies. He and his money and his horses are long gone, but the trees he preserved are a blessing which should make us all look back to him with gratitude and without censoriousness. Maybe if we all had the money he had we might have had more of his shortcomings.

As George Ade once said, some people are good because it costs too much to be otherwise.

Military Rites Dec. 22nd for Mike Valanis

A military funeral was held Dec. 22 at the Sawtelle Soldier's Home for Mike Valanis, 219 N. Sunnyside, who died suddenly Dec. 16, following a heart attack.

Mr. Valanis was born in Russia Nov. 14, 1873, and was brought to this country in 1880 by his parents. The deceased was a veteran of the Spanish American war. At the time of his death he was making his home with a daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd J. Valanis, at the Sierra Madre address.

He is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Stella Hollis, Mrs. Anna Trout, Mrs. Catherine Vatter, and Mrs. Helen Larson; two sons, Adolph Valanis and Anthony Valanis; six grandchildren and three great grandchildren. All of Mr. Valanis' family reside in Chicago with the exception of Mrs. Larson.

MRS. SALLY BRIGGS SPENDS TIME IN S.M. HOSPITAL

Mrs. Sally Briggs, former Sierra Madrean, has been in the Sierra Madre hospital for observation. Since leaving our city Mrs. Briggs has been making her home with a daughter in Pasadena.

IT'S THE SEASON FOR GREETINGS...

And here's ours: A wish as sincere and friendly as can be — a hope for a Merry Christmas to everyone we know!

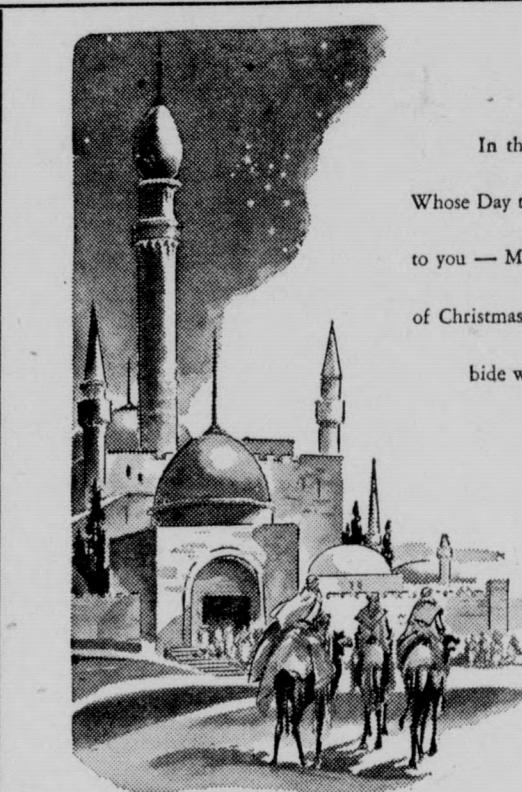
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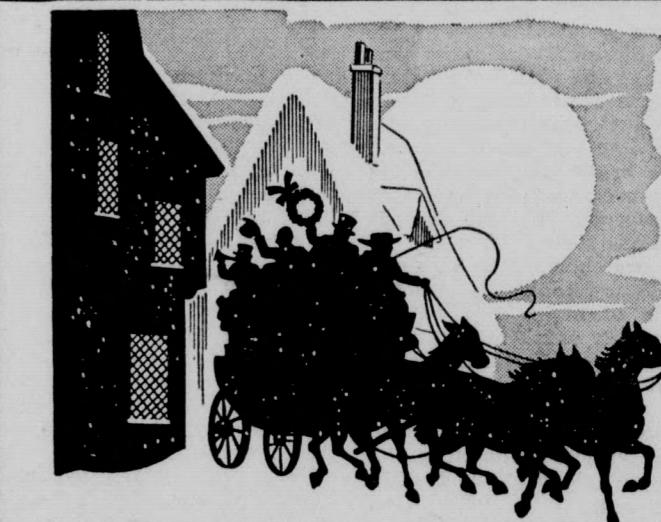
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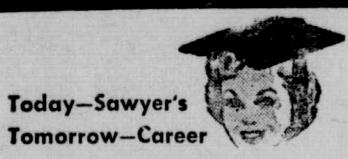
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Mrs. Hannah Hedblom Recovers After Surgery

Mrs. Hannah Hedblom, 30 E. Carter, is resting comfortably in the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. Herman Ohs, after returning from St. Luke hospital.

Mrs. Hedblom fell, at her home, and broke her elbow which resulted in surgery.

Commerce Students To Visit Brokerage Firm

Muir college students in Har old M. Beam's commerce and industry class will start the new year delving into the financial world by taking an excursion to the Francis I. du Pont o. brokerage firm at 723 E. Green St., Jan. 7, from 9 to 11 a.m.

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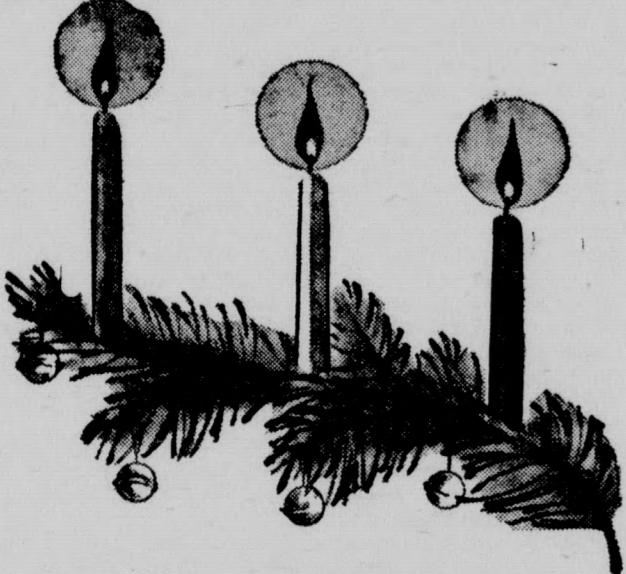
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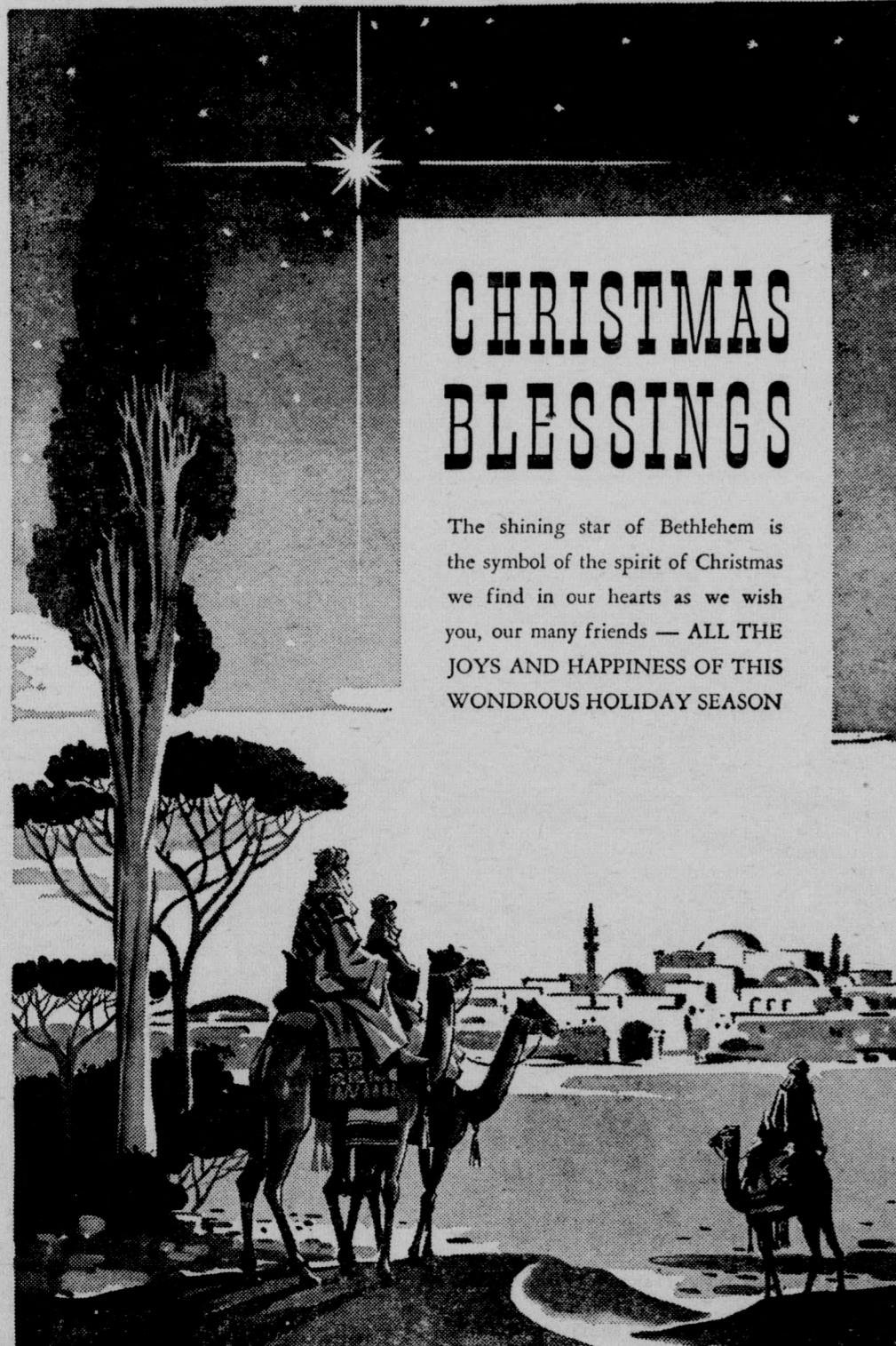


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Social and Club Activities . . .

ETERI Members Have Annual Xmas Dinner

Forty members of the Sierra Madre ETERI club and their husbands recently held their annual Christmas dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Stone, 165 E. Sierra Madre.

Miss Roberta "Bobby" Scott provided striking Christmas decorations for the affair.

The preparing and serving of the roast beef dinner was done by Miss Scott, Mrs. Stone, Mrs. Joyce Holt, Mrs. Lester Packard, and Mrs. Ray Griffin.

The highlight of the evening was a message given by Miss Natalie Romans entitled "Keep in Christ in Christmas."

A crocheted lap robe, made by Mrs. William Sparagr, and cheery red felt stockings spilling over with gifts were given to Miss Roman to be distributed among the ETERI comrades; these being young women in TB sanatoria.

Honored guests for the evening were Dr. and Mrs. Robert N. Shaper.

Jimmy Brooks Has 13th Birthday Surprise Party

Jimmy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman E. Brooks, 270 North Grove, recently celebrated his 13th birthday.

The arrival of the guests was a complete surprise to Jimmy and after an afternoon of miniature golf and Christmas refreshments, the guest of honor was further surprised by the presentation of a long wanted bicycle by his parents.

Among those arriving to take part in the fun afternoon were Foster Buckner, Dennis Christian, Robert Gaggero, Bill Harris, Bob Kingsbury, Bryne Lindquist, Danny Osti, Dennis Steele, Charles Toms, Norman Vangen, and Keith Walide.

HARRY E. JOHNSON IN SIERRA MADRE HOSPITAL

Harry E. Johnson, former Sierra Madrean, is resting comfortably in the Sierra Madre hospital after suffering a heart attack.

LOCAL HOSPITAL STAFF HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The staff members of the Sierra Madre hospital had their annual Christmas party in the home of the hospital's dietitian, Mrs. Helen Hill, 47 S. Lima.



Ernest W. Brooks Photo

THE FORMER ELIZABETH JANE WARD, above, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Waldo Ward, 273 E. Highland, exchanged nuptial vows with William Kuns Simmons, son of Mr. and Mrs. Goodrich K. Simmons, 251 W. Montecito, Nov. 7, in the First Congregational Church of Sierra Madre with Rev. Carl C. Smith reading the marriage ceremony.

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Friendship Club Has Christmas Tea Party

Members of the sewing group of the Sierra Madre Community Friendship Club recently had their Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Ella Nourse, 274 Mariposa.

Twenty guests enjoyed the afternoon of games and the exchanging of gifts. Cards were sent to the members unable to attend the affair because of illness.

Madam Babin assisted at the gaily decorated tea table.

GIRLS GUILD HOSTESS AT SUNDAY SCHOOL PARTY

Monday afternoon, Dec. 21, the Girls Missionary guild of First Baptist church, gave a Christmas party for the children of the Sunday school. Games, refreshments and a gift exchange were enjoyed.

Arlene Dahl, Hollywood actress—The early-morning view of some women would dull the heartiest appetite. No wonder men bury their heads in the newspaper at breakfast."

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A daughter, Mary Beth, was born to Mr. and Mrs. George L. Dorman, 465 S. Laurel, Dec. 10th, at Huntington Memorial hospital and weighing 6 pounds 10 ounces. The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George Dorman of Pasadena. The Dormans have a son, Tommy, 4.

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There will be an international flavor to the holiday gathering at which Mr. and Mrs. Jacob L. Freed, 661 Mariposa, will be hosts on Saturday, the day after Christmas. Their guests will include Miss Kaethe Petersen of North Hollywood, Miss Meena O'Carroll and Edward O'Carroll of Tujunga, Michael O'Carroll of Glendale, Miss Jeanette de Geeler of Los Angeles and Mrs. Aminta Bradley-Dyne of Beverly Hills.

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In the family party will be the Lomaxes' daughters, Linda and Jill.

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Guests tomorrow in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam I. Kirk and Mrs. Kirk's mother, Mrs. M. W. McBurney, 646 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., will be Mrs. McBurney's sons and their families, Dr. and Mrs. Ray-

mond McBurney and Robert and Susan, of Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. Howard McBurney and Meredith and Lucinda, of Lakewood Village, and Dr. and Mrs. Leroy McBurney and Cecilia and Connie, of Ontario. Assisting their parents as hosts at the family gathering will be the Kirk's three children, Samuel, Carolyn and Marilyn.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Jones, 49 E. Alegria, are spending most of the Christmas weekend with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Proctor, in San Diego.

Mrs. Robert E. Wright, 540 W. Alegria, is driving to San Diego to spend Christmas Day with her husband, Lieutenant-Commander Wright, in the San Diego Naval hospital, where he has been a patient since July.

This will be the second Christmas that the lieutenant-commander has spent in the hospital, having undergone major surgery there on Dec. 26 a year ago.

Mr. and Mrs. David H. Allen, 1375 Hastings Ranch Rd., and their children, Charlie, Johnny and Mary, will serve Christmas dinner to Mrs. Allen's parents, Col. and Mrs. Charles E. Morrison, 33 W. Orange Grove, her grandmother, Mrs. John Harkins of Pasadena; uncle, Thomas Harkins, and a sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Broming, and their two sons, Billy and Chuckie.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron C. Hopper, 537 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., and their son David, will have a family day together.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Cox, 24 Vista Circle, will journey to Santa Barbara where they will have a family party at the home of their grandson and his family, Mr. and Mrs. John G. Cox, Jr., Helen and Maria. Mr. Mrs. John G. Cox of Henderson, Nev., will join the party.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Perloff, 1431 Oak Meadow Rd., Arcadia, and their sons, Stephen and Allen, will spend the day with friends in Baldwin Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling T. Ripple, 193 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., and their children, Susan and Kenneth, will join a family party in Alhambra at the home of Mr. Ripple's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. James Loy.

Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey J. Colins, 634 Woodland Dr., and their son, Billy, will be joined by another son, Major W. Gaylord Collins of San Diego, in a Christmas celebration.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Lange, 529 W. Laurel, and their daughters, Joyce and Jane, will gather for a family dinner held in the Monrovia home of Mrs. Lange's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Petz.

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Percy L. Bonebrake, 180 Santa Anita Ct., and his daughter, Mrs. Emma Lawson of Pasadena, are going to San Diego for the Christmas weekend. They plan to spend part of the time in Mexico and part at Warner's Ranch where Mr. Bonebrake once lived.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude F. Fritz, 476 Sturdevant, and their daughters, Claudia, Dawn and Diane, will spend Christmas Eve with Mr. Fritz's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Richardson, 707 Woodland Dr. Christmas Day will be spent with Mrs. Fritz's father and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Baynes, in their South Gate home.

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Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Beutler, 409 Ramona, will join their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Beutler, Jr., and their small daughter, Sandra Kay, in Glendale, for Christmas Day.

The W. F. Schregardus family Christmas will be celebrated in several homes tomorrow. In the party will be the Schregardus' son-in-law and daughter, the Rollin Gillespies and children, Barbara, Paul and Alan, of Arcadia; their daughter, Mrs. Olive O'Bryne and children, Freddy and Betty, of Sierra Madre, and their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Schregardus, Jr., and daughter, Jan, of La Canada.

The group will breakfast at the Gillespie home, dine at the senior Schregardus', have a salad course at Mrs. O'Bryne's home, dessert at the junior Schregardus' and an exchange of gifts at each house.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter D. Thurber, 480 Manzanita, will have a family dinner party in their home on Christmas Day. Present will be their sons and families, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thurber and Mark and Lindy of Eagle Rock and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Thurber and children, Bart, Kent and Ann of Bakersfield. Completing the circle will be the Thurbers' son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George P. Zebal and sons, Bradley and Ronnie, of Sierra Madre.

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Dr. Norman F. Johnson of the Sierra Madre Medical Center will spend the Christmas week-end with his family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Johnson, in Somerton, Ariz.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Williams, 225 S. Mountain Trail, will have their family Christmas dinner next Sunday in their home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Herman Ohs and their children, Robert and Sandra, 30 E. Carter, will have a Swedish Christmas celebration tonight. Those attending will be Mrs. Ohs' mother, Mrs. Hannah Hedblom, and a brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Hedblom, and their daughter, Jacque.

Mr. and Mrs. W.S. Hull, 542 W. Montecito, will attend a Christmas Eve celebration in the home of their daughter, Mrs. Robert Baugh of San Marino. The Hills will be entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Mell Hull of South Pasadena on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Coutant and son, Stanley, 666 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., will have their own Christmas Day threesome at home tomorrow but during the weekend will celebrate with Mrs. Coutant's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Wood, in Pasadena. Also in the family party will be another son-in-law and daughter of the Woodses, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ellet, Jr., also of Sierra Madre.

Earlier in the holiday season the Coutants were dinner guests of Mr. Coutant's employer at a company party at the Jonathan Club in Los Angeles.

Trianas to Present New Year's Eve Program

Antonio and Luisa Trianas, authorities on the Spanish dance, are preparing a special New Year's Eve dance program to be offered in Philharmonic auditorium, Los Angeles.

Hospital Guild Members Have Christmas Party

Members of the Sierra Madre Guild for the Children's hospital held their Christmas party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert deWeese, 480 N. Lima.

Those attending the buffet supper and dancing party were Mr. and Mrs. Carl F. Adam, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Black, Mr. and Mrs. Gould Eddy, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gingrich, Mr. and Mrs. John Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Luzmoor, Dr. and Mrs. W. A. McCormick, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. McRoberts III, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Oliver, Mr. and Mrs. Barney Napier, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Orf, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sutner, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Tumulty, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walker.

The very beautiful and striking Christmas decorations were provided by Mrs. Eddy. Mrs. Tumulty was dinner chairman. Proceeds from the affair will go toward the Guild's work at the Children's hospital.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Kingsbury, 632 N. Auburn, accompanied by their sons, Bob and David, will spend Christmas Day with Mr. Kingsbury's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Kingsbury, in Van Nuys.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Fader, 166 S. Baldwin, and their daughter Nancy will host a family dinner in their home. Among those attending will be Mrs. Fader's mother, Mrs. Archie G. Bonn, a son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Fader Jr., of Whittier, and their baby, Charles. Mrs. Fader's brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. William A. Stoddart, 145 E. Montecito, and Mrs. Stoddart's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Tangren, who are visiting from Salt Lake City.

New Year's Eve Dance Planned

The members of the Foothill Jewish Community Center are completing plans for their New Year's Eve dance to be held at the Center, 212 N. Lima, at 9 p.m.

A buffet supper and champagne cocktails will be served at midnight and favors will be distributed during the evening.

La Verne Boyer and his orchestra will provide the music for dancing. Jean Sheldon and Larry Straight will be the vocalists for the affair.

Reservation chairmen, Aaron Glaser and Mrs. Sam Perloff, have announced all reservations for the party must have been made by Wednesday, Dec. 23rd.

Other chairmen for the dance are Mrs. Irvin Kaufman, decorations; Mrs. William Glesby, Mrs. Jerry Glesby, Mrs. Manual Maller, Mrs. Max Brezinsky, and Mrs. Leonard Kustner will head the reception and food committees.

Make a resolution for 1954! Let it be: "I'll read all the ads in the NEWS every week." Ok?

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. R. Moote, who this year will be celebrating their 31st Christmas at 689 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., and their 45th in Sierra Madre, will be hosts at their usual family house party. The Moote's daughters and their families and two family friends, Miss Ann McGuffin of Westwood and Miss Louiss MsFee of Los Angeles, will be present.

The daughters and their families include: Mr. and Mrs. Dwight H. Poundstone and children, Donald and Frances of Los Angeles, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Baird of Monrovia and Dr. and Mrs. Graham C. Smith and children, Bob, Rickey and Penny of Vista.

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Mr. and Mrs. William F. Rhodes, 702 Manzanita, will have their Christmas dinner in the Covina home of Mrs. Rhodes' brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Lingle. Among those attending the affair will be Mrs. Rhodes' mother, Mrs. Flora Lingel of Pasadena, a brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Selby of Beverly Hills, and their daughters, Mrs. Jack Nisbitt, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Colins.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey G. McGeary, 357 N. Auburn, and their daughter Ernestine will join friends, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Harris, in their Hollywood home for the day's celebration.

Miss Martha C. Pritchard, 121 E. Alegria, will have 11 guests at her Christmas dinner table. Mrs. Joseph Taylor of Alhambra is her holiday house guest and in addition dinner guests tomorrow will be relatives of Miss Pritchard from Pasadena and Alhambra.

AL MALAIKAH SHRINE ANNIVERSARY ATTENDED BY SIERRA MADREANS

The 65th anniversary ceremonial session of Al Malaiyah Shrine was held last Saturday afternoon and evening.

Among those attending from the Sierra Madre area were Ed. Timrott, E. J. Richardson and W. S. Hull, accompanied by Dr. Barton of Arcadia.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd V. Marsh and their children, Neal, Keith, Karen, and Joyce, arrived the first of the week to spend the holidays with Mr. Marsh's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Marsh, 657 W. Grandview.

Mr. Marsh is a government engineer in the Soil Conservation Service and makes his home in Lander, Wyo. New uranium deposits have been found in the territory where he works.

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LELAND MARSHES ENTERTAIN BEATRICE MARABLE BACK HOME IN RICHMOND, VA.

Beatrice Marable, recently of Santa Anita Ct., enplaned the first of the week for her home in Richmond, Va.

Miss Marable was a missionary for the Episcopal church for 22 years and has spent the past three months visiting in Sierra Madre.

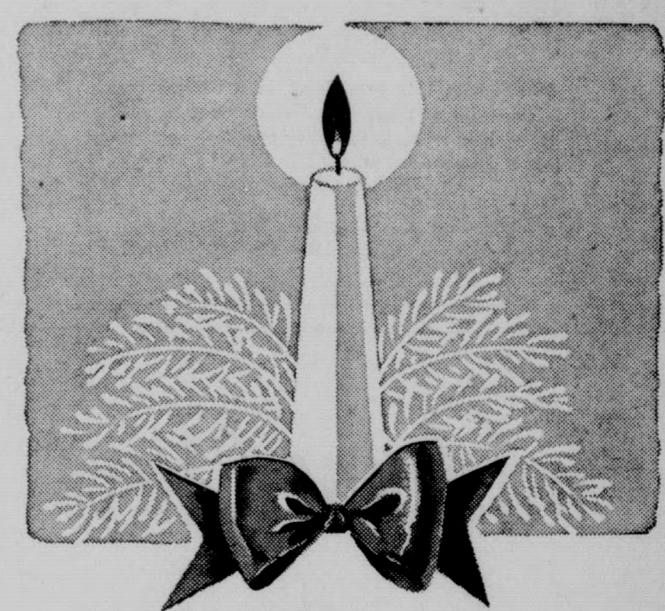
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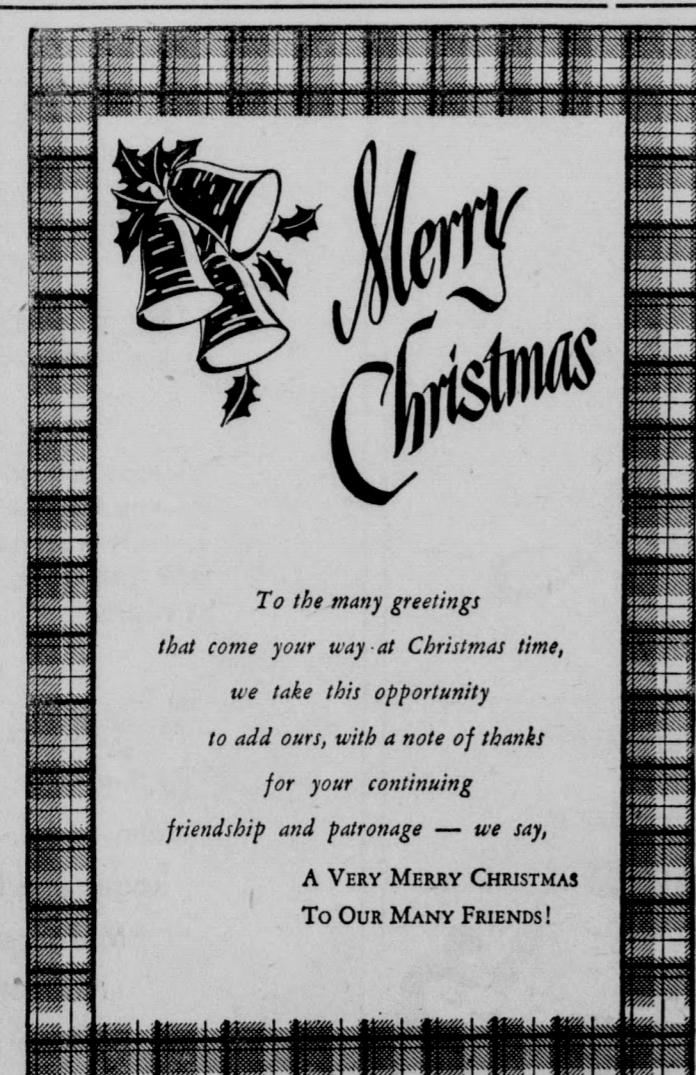
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MG Club Tells Plans for
Palm Springs Road Race

The Long Beach MG club announced today that the Sixth Palm Springs road race would be staged on the Palm Springs

Airport Jan. 23-24, 1954.
The two-day meet will have eight races in all, including two novice owner events, a ladies race, an MG race and two main events of 45 minutes for sports cars to 1500cc, and the Palm Springs cup race of one hour for cars over 1500cc and the five cars in the desert trophy race.

Peace on Earth
TO ALL OUR FRIENDS
GREETINGS! Our best wishes for a holiday that is chock-full of many, many good things — such as — happiness, good cheer and the wondrous joy and peace of a HOLY CHRISTMAS.

ROYAL DRUGS



LARGEST SOCIAL AFFAIR LOCALLY for Sierra Madreans was the Community Nursery School association's sixth annual Christmas dance attended Dec. 12 by approximately 900 men and women. A gay party seated near the entrance to the ballroom at the Santa Anita Turf clubhouse, on hand to greet new arrivals and, in the meantime serenaded by strolling musicians, are, left to right (above): Robert Bettencourt, Mrs. Bettencourt, Gerald Marugg, Mrs. Marugg, president of the Nursery School association, Mrs. Marjorie Green, school director, Robert Jacobs and Mrs. Jacobs. Responsible for the great success of the dance were Mrs. Jacobs and Mrs. Bettencourt, chairman and co-chairman, respectively, of the Ways and Means committee, and their aides.

Firemen's Annual Dance
Was Usual Gay Affair;
More Than 400 Present

The annual Firemen's ball held last Saturday night at the Sierra Madre Woman's club was attended by more than 200 couples.

General chairman for the affair was James C. Heasley. He was assisted by Charlie Brown who secured the orchestra and Robert Thomas who was responsible for the gay holiday decorations.

Proceeds from the benefit will go toward giving Christmas and Easter parties for the children in the park of Sierra Madre; the packing and distributing of Christmas baskets; and to year 'round help to those in need.

Approximately 1500 tickets were sold for the dance.

HOME AFTER SURGERY
Mrs. Leland (Louisiana) Evans, 450 N. Baldwin, is recuperating in her home after undergoing surgery in St. Luke's hospital.

March of Dimes Ball
Sponsors at Cocktail
Party in Osborn Home

Gordon Zahlers Move
To L.A. To Be Near
His Place of Business

Several Sierra Madre couples were among those attending a cocktail party last week in the George E. Osborn home, 580 Wilson Rd., for supporters of the annual, formal March of Dimes ball to be held late Jan. 30 at the Santa Anita Turf clubhouse.

Local sponsors include Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Suttner, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Tumil and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walker.

Invitations to the ball will be sent out after the first of the year.

The NEWS wants your news.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Zahler, residents for the past 25 years, have regrettably sold their home at 247 Santa Anita Ct. and have moved to Los Angeles to be closer to Mr. Zahler's place of business, the Zahler Music library, in Beverly Hills. They are living now at 5420 Fountain Ave. in Los Angeles.

The Rev. and Mrs. Orian G. Burlison have bought the Zahler house on Santa Anita Ct. The Zahlers' son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Millard Jacobs, are continuing to make their home in Hastings Ranch.

Christmas Cheer



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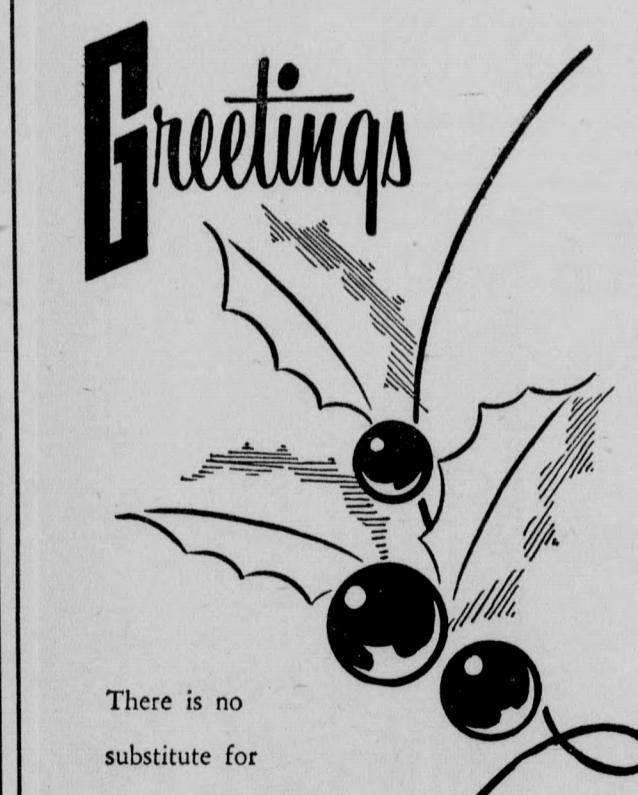
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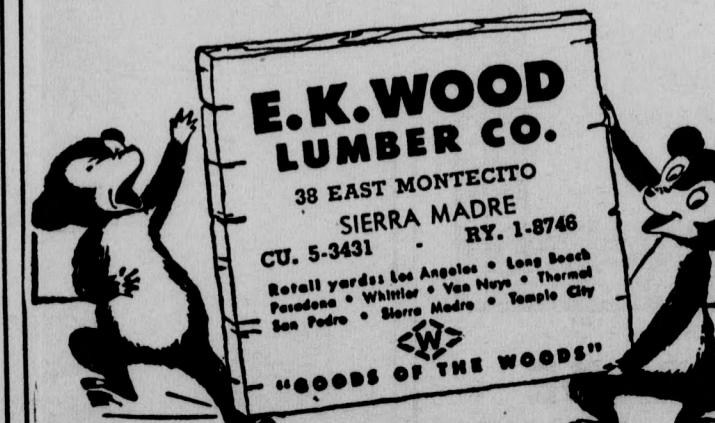
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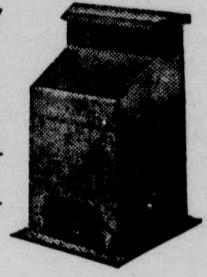
MARVIN E. THOMASES**HAVE PRE-DANCE PARTY**

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin E. Thomas, 381 Mt. Wilson Trail, entertained before the Fireman's Christmas dance last Saturday night. Among those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hoffine and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carson of Arcadia.

GLENN BURRIS TO APPEAR ON "MAMA" TV PROGRAM

Glenn Burris, son of Mrs. Percy C. Kortkamp, 460 W. Montecito, will appear on the "Mama" TV program New Year's Eve at 7 a.m.

It will be remembered that Mr. Burris played the romantic lead in *Kismet*.

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Yule Services

Children's Program Tonight
Opens Series at Faith Church

Three Christmas services have been planned at Faith Lutheran Chapel, 835 Hastings Ranch Dr., according to the Rev. Mr. A. Hesse, pastor of the parish. The public is invited to all services.

Tonight at 7:15, the Christmas Eve Children's program will be presented by the 106 children of the Sunday School. The program is entitled "Come and Worship the Lord," and has been designed to include audience participation.

At 9 a.m. on Friday, the Christmas Matin service will be conducted. The 20-voice acapella choir, under the direction of Warren Zelt, will open the service with a special arrangement of "Silent Night," and will also sing "Ding, Dong! Merrily on High" by E. Harold Geer. The pastor's message will be entitled, "Christmas Can Change Things."

On Sunday morning, Dec. 27, at 9:15, the Sunday School pu-

pils will be shown Christmas slides. At 10:30, the Post-Christmas service will be held, in which Student Jerryd Swanson of Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, a member of Faith Congregation, will present the sermon. The acapella choir will sing an old arrangement of "The Prophecies of Isaiah."

The pastor adds that a New Year's Eve service of meditation is being planned at 7:30 p.m. on the last night of the year.

Services Tonight and Christmas at Ascension

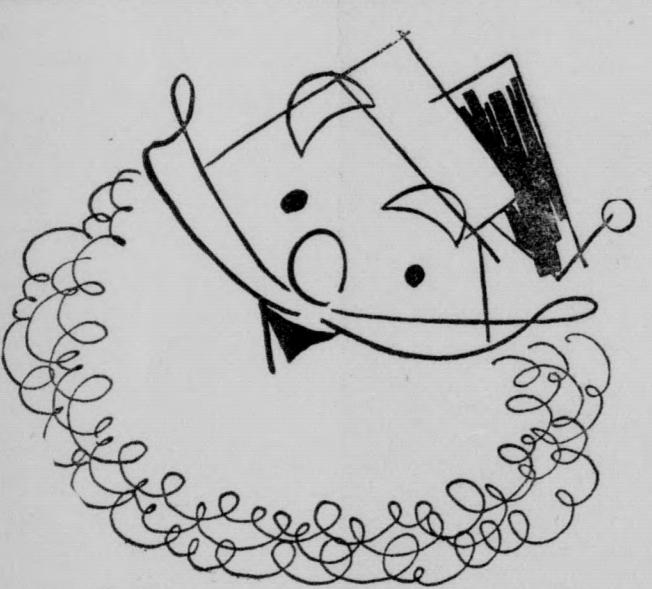
Christmas Eve services, a midnight mass beginning at 11:15 p.m., will be held tonight in Church of the Ascension.

There also will be three masses Christmas Day morning, at 7:30 and 8:30 a.m., and the family mass will be sung at 9:30 a.m.



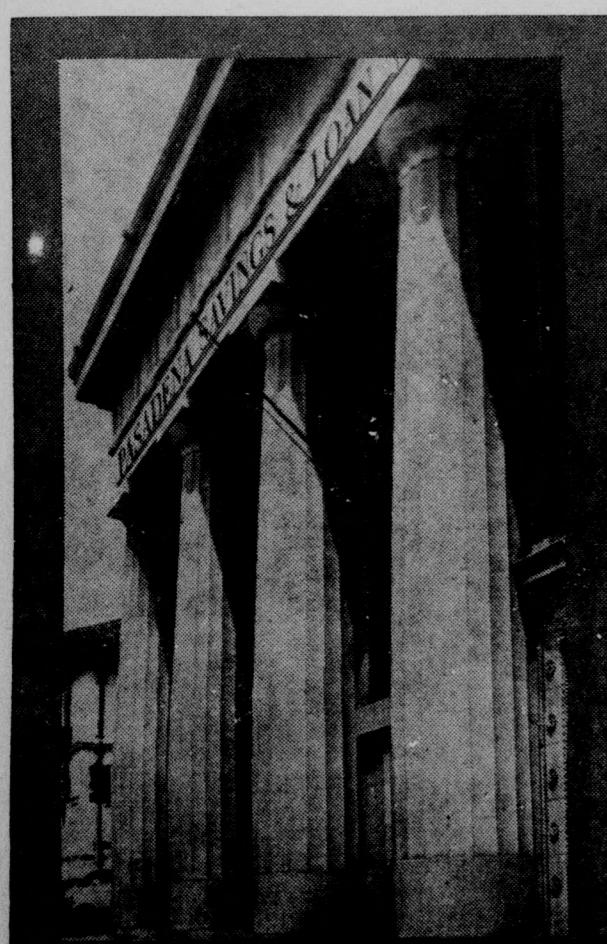
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News of the Churches



"GOOD CHRISTIAN MEN, REJOICE . . ." carol three young voices as Jeffrey Rickard, 11-year-old organist at Ascension school provides accompaniment. The three carolers pictured are, left to right: Carolyn Powell, Barbara Carlson and Marcia Lisle. Young Jeffrey, son of the Kenneth Rickards, played for Nativity Pageant rehearsals when the church organist wasn't available, he played the organ prelude for the pageant Sunday afternoon and Monday night, and he regularly plays the organ for daily services at the school including two children's masses each week.

By Candlelight

Communion Service Tonight
At Trinity Presbyterian

Tonight the members and parents of Trinity Presbyterian church and their friends will begin their Christmas Eve celebration at 7:30 in the chapel with the observance of Holy Communion by candlelight. The occasion will be particularly eventful, for in addition to celebrating the birth of the Savior, and the sharing of His Supper with Him, the congregation will celebrate the installation of the new pews and chapel furnishings.

The lovely furnishings have been carefully and skillfully hand made by "Chapel Crafters" of Azusa, and feature a beautiful limed oak finish in modern design. They represent the memorial gifts of many members and friends of the church, and in the near future will feature memorial plaques attesting this. The Chancel carpeting is in a rich blue, and is the gift of the Trinity Guild, the women's organization of Trinity Presbyterian church.

Choir to Sing

The special service also will feature the Primary and Junior choirs which have been preparing for three months for the service. Trained and directed by Mrs. Juanita deClercq of Sierra Madre, and accompanied and assisted by Mrs. Donald H. Ostrander of Upper Hastings Ranch, the choirs will sing two special Christmas selections. The Anthem, featuring the Junior choir, will be "Christians, Awaken," an old Yorkshire carol. The offertory anthem, the Primary choir's song, will be "There Is No Cradle Ready," a Spanish melody.

The service will be conducted by the Rev. Donald H. Ostrander, pastor of Trinity, and will include, in addition to the music, a brief Communion Meditation—"This Holy Hour." Next Sunday, Dec. 27, the last Sunday of the year, Rev. Ostrander will examine with his people the events of 1953 and prepare

the way for a spiritual pilgrimage into the exciting prospects of the coming year. His theme will be, "One Last Look." A most cordial welcome is extended to everyone to visit Trinity and to worship with her people.

The choir personnel includes:

Primary, Heather and Sandra Blakely, Deborah Caffee, Cathy Clardy, Karen Sue Cummings, Kay Davis, Mary Ann Feichtmann, Gay Griswold, Rubin Hardison, Wendy Harris, Marsha and Sandra Hayden, Cheryl Jacques, Caroline and John Klett, Janna Ostrander, Carol Ray, Suzanne Rhinehart and Christine Thompson; Junior, Robert Anderson, Patty Cress, Ann Fredericks, Linda Herold, Linda Jordan, Joyce Metcalf, Susan Ostrander, Lois Shockley, Karen Schmidt, Sally Sonrenson, Judy Thompson, Pamela Valois, Diane Wilson and Barbara Winslow.

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Pastor Announces Topic
Fitting to New Year

"The Changing versus the Changeless" will be the subject of the Rev. Edward Kriz's sermon Sunday, Dec. 27, at post-Christmas morning worship services. Sunday evening there will be a brief gospel message followed by the showing of two films, one of them of special interest to children.

Wednesday night, Dec. 16, the First Baptist Sunday school presented a Chritmas play directed by Mrs. Lonnie Hall, Sunday school superintendent. Following the presentation, Christmas candy was distributed.

The play enacted the story of Christmas, as told by the children attending a Sunday school party to one of their guests, a little Argentine child who had never seen a Christmas tree before.

James R. Bowman of Sierra Madre will be the guest soloist at the morning worship service Sunday, Dec. 27. The pastor will preach on the theme, "Living in Expectation."

Dr. Schaper to Preach
On Flight from Egypt
In Yule Sermon Series

Dr. Robert N. Schaper will be closing series of messages for the month of December centering around the birth and early life of Jesus.

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UPPER HASTINGS: MARGE THOMAS, Custer 5-2951

Simpsons Leave Ranch For Missouri Home

Robbie Thibaut Has Sixth Birthday Party

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth C. Simpson, daughter, Joan, and son, Kent, are at home now at 113 E. Chestnut, Aurora, Mo. But before they left their home at 3780 Fairmeade, neighbors gave them a farewell sendoff they will not soon forget.

The Simpsons were honor guests when the monthly bridge group to which they belonged met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray C. Stiff, 3800 Fairmeade. Others in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. Draper Jennings and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Beattie.

Mrs. Simpson was honored by the Ranch Wrens at a coffee party at the home of Mrs. Ray Lindman, Wren president, at 3770 Hampton. There to tell Harriet "goodbye" were Mrs. Jack Atkinson, Mrs. John R. Baker, Mrs. Robert Brumfield, Mrs. Dunbar Burdick, Mrs. Joe Cummings, Mrs. Robert L. Fleming, Mrs. Robert A. Gingrich, Mrs. James T. Flynn, Mrs. Vern Harding, Mrs. Kenneth Kaler, Mrs. Robert Miserere, Mrs. Thomas McCarthy, Mrs. Elmer Morten, Mrs. Robert Smallman, Mrs. Stiff and Mrs. Evan Whitlock.

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SUE ANN WILFONG SINGS

Miss Sue Ann Wilfong, 11th grade daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Wilfong, sang in "Gloria," presented by the Nyseman group at PCC. The Christmas production was very well received, playing to a packed house at all four performances.

Mrs. Rolland H. Whited Card Party Hostess

Mr. Rolland H. Whited, 1070 Medford, recently entertained a party of participants in the canasta bridge tournament sponsored by the Sierra Madre Woman's club.

Among those enjoying the evening of cards were Mrs. Clifford R. Voges, Mrs. Gordon K. Wright, Mrs. William Spalding, Mrs. Dale R. Sandro, Mrs. Mary Lyness, Mrs. Al L. Pruitt, Mrs. Charles W. Cole, Mrs. Dewey McGeary, Mrs. Donald G. Mortensen, Mrs. Harry B. Langstaff and Mrs. William A. Stoddart.

Jingle Bells

Festive lights and green boughs, clan gatherings and parties galore — these things that make for a joyous Noel will make this Christmas season a well-remembered one for residents of Hastings Ranch.

It would take more than the NEWS' whole edition to tell the plans of all, but a random check brought out a few busy schedules.

Back home in the Ranch (back home to stay, we hope), are Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Coates and daughter Kitty, 3645 Hampton Rd., who have been in Kansas City for several months. They will spend Christmas day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Howard at Corona del Mar.

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**LIBRARY SERVICE
TO CHILDREN ON
TV SHOW DEC. 27**

The almost innumerable benefits and services to children offered freely every day in the year by the Sierra Madre Public Library will be dramatically presented on television next Sunday afternoon on the Dec. 27 popular Cavalcade of Books program at 3:30 on KNXT, Channel 2, Lulu Moore, librarian, announced today. Fourteen of the public libraries of Southern California will sponsor this mid-holiday show in cooperation with Frances and Jack Case, the producers, and the Southern California Booksellers' Ass'n representing all the book stores in the eight Southern California counties.

Action galore is promised with a lively cast of children, their pets and their hobbies following a script prepared by a committee of library people who direct work with boys and girls in the juvenile sections of the public libraries.

If you have news phone the NEWS.

**Cub Scout
News**

**Governor to Address
North Dakotans at 50th
Annual Reunion Jan. 3**

Eighteen boys of the newly organized Cub Pack No. 371 attended the Junior Rose Bowl game and the pre-game organizational activities Dec. 12, in the Rose Bowl.

Boys were accompanied by several of the fathers in the first father-son outing of the group. Duncan Cason and Terry Tidmore won baseballs autographed by National Leaguers for their baseball catching ability.

Fathers attending were Cub Master Erich Wittig, George Zebal, Lawrence Lester, James P. Lisle, H. Terry Tidmore, Elmer J. Dauben.

Cubbers: Bradley Zebal, Erich Wittig, Perry Rickard, Joseph Dauben, Duncan Cason, Jeff Potter, Fred White, Eric Dowty, David Tiller, Bob Wortham, Craig Johnson, Larry Lisle, James Lester, Terry Tidmore, William Stanley, Gene Thorne, Stephen Nixon, Howard Schaefer.

Music for the event will be provided by Lawrence Welk, a former North Dakotan, and his orchestra.

The Santa Teresita and Maryknoll sanatoriums.

Pack 2 also had its annual

father-son outing on Dec. 17 and members enjoyed movies of snow scenes and of Abbott and Costello antics and all joined in singing Christmas carols.

Highlight of the evening was the appearance of Santa Claus who distributed gifts. Refreshments were served.

The Pack committee met recently in the home of Al Pae-

gel, 68 Vista Circle.

**How Library Books Selected
Explained by Board Member**

What does the staff of the Sierra Madre Public library do? Is it permissible to telephone the library for reference information? What magazines circulate and how soon after issued? How large a proportion of our population really uses our library?

Following is the first in a series of articles designed to answer these and other questions pertaining to the library and, in line with one of the objectives of the Friends of the Library, to acquaint the public with the functions, resources and services of the institution.

By MARTHA C. PRITCHARD
Secretary, Library Board of
Trustees

How are books for the library selected?

To answer the question directly, in our library, as in all well-organized business, the chief executive, the librarian, has the responsibility for spending your tax money which is budgeted to the support of the library. The book bills are approved by the board, along with all other bills each month. But the choice of the books to be purchased is an intricate process—in the hands of the librarian.

By continual reading of book reviews, scanning lists of recommended books on many

titles from time to time. So, too, do members of the staff, each of whom must read constantly as part of her "free" time.

Citizens' Requests Welcome

But any citizen who wishes a particular book may request its purchase, either by letter, signed and addressed to the librarian, Miss Lulu Moore, or in person at the library desk. If desired, the book requested will be held for the one making the request if it is purchased and ready for circulation. This is where every reader in the community can help. Recommend your choice for some or all of the interests you and your friends wish.

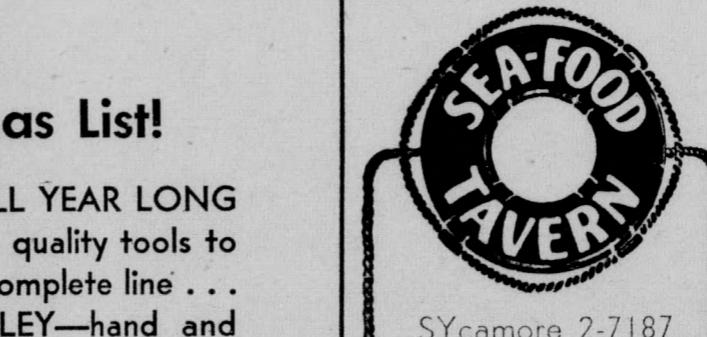
The librarian carefully considers all collected titles during each month and serving the largest number, as far as the money allows, she buys something for all. Intelligent community cooperation is both helpful and welcome.

**Brownie
Notes**

Handmade red felt miniature Christmas stockings and sequin-studded snowballs hung on their Christmas tree. Carefully-strung cranberry and popcorn ropes added the final touch of gaiety. Then the Brownie Scouts of Troop 22 exchanged their Christmas gifts and topped off their Christmas party with supper at the home of one of their members, Carol Spaulding, 326 Adams, last Monday afternoon.

After supper, the Brownies finished one of their Christmas projects—the learning of Christmas carols, under the direction of Mrs. Samuel Kirk, to help bring Christmas happiness to the people in the Sierra Madre hospital and the British Home.

Their other big Christmas project was the collecting of toys, books, etc., for the patients in the Communicable Diseases Ward at the Los Angeles County hospital. This undertaking was instigated by Mrs. Paul Tate, who during her stay as a patient in the hospital last Spring, learned of the crying need for means of entertainment. Many of these patients are children who have never had toys of their own. The Tate family itself has sent



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Season's
Greetings!

many boxes to the hospital.

Over a period of many weeks, the Brownies have been enthusiastically collecting everything they could lay their hands on. Their friends and several of the merchants in town also contributed. Wrapped as Christmas gifts in paper of their own making, the Brownies' collection has filled a huge box, decorated as a chimney ready for Santa Claus. The box will be taken to the hospital in time for Christmas, so that other children may have a little of the fun that the Brownies will have in their own homes on Christmas Day.

LEGAL NOTICE

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Trustees of the Sierra Madre City School District of Los Angeles County, hereinafter referred to as the "Owner," will receive up to, but not later than 7:30 o'clock P.M. on the 19th day of January, 1954, sealed bids for the award of contract for the construction of the Sierra Mesa Elementary School, located on the East Side of Canon Avenue, between Laurel Avenue and Highland Avenue, Sierra Madre, California. Such bids will be received in the office of the Owner, 141 West Highland Avenue, Sierra Madre, California, and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above stated time in the office of the Owner in such building.

Each bid must conform and be responsive to this invitation, the plans, specifications, and all other documents comprising the pertinent contract documents. Copies of the Contract Documents are now on file and open to public inspection in the said offices of the Owner and of Marsh, Smith & Powell, Architects, located at 300 Land Mortgage Building in the City of Los Angeles, in said County and State, and may be obtained at the latter place by depositing \$25.00 for each set. This deposit will be refunded if the set or sets of Contract Documents delivered are returned in good condition within five days after the bid opening. Each bid shall be made out on a form to be obtained at either of the said offices in which the Contract Documents are on file.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check payable to the Owner, or satisfactory Bid Bond in favor of the Owner, executed by the bidder as Principal and a satisfactory surety company as surety, in an amount not less than five per cent of the bid. The check or bid bond shall be given as a guarantee that the bidder will execute the Contract if it be awarded to him in conformity with the Contract Documents and will provide the surety bond or bonds as specified therein within five days after notification of the award of the contract to the bidder.

The Owner reserves the privilege of rejecting any and all bids or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bid or in the bidding.

Pursuant to the Labor Code of the State of California, the said Owner has ascertained the general prevailing rate of per diem wages for each craft or type of workman needed to execute the contracts which will be awarded the successful bidders; and those prevailing rates are contained in said specifications adopted by the Owner, and are as follows:

CLASSIFICATIONS:

FOREMEN: All foremen not herein separately classified, shall be paid not less than 17½ cents per hour as to the SIX BASIC TRADES, and 12½ cents per hour as to the SUB-TRADES, more than the journeyman rate for the craft involved.

APPRENTICES: May be employed in conformity with Section 1777.5 of the California Labor Code.

Trade or Occupation **Hourly Wage Rate**
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ASPHALT RAKER AND IRONER..... \$2.26
ASBESTOS WORKER..... 3.00*

BRICKLAYERS

Bricklayer and Stone Mason..... 3.175*

Bricktender..... 2.25

Marble Setter..... 2.75*

Terrazzo Setter..... 2.77

Tile Layer (Setter)..... 2.94*

CARPENTERS

Carpenter..... 2.70

Floor Layer..... 2.90

Table Power Saw Operator..... 2.78

CEMENT MASON

CEMENT FLOOR FINISHING MACHINE OPERATOR..... 2.82

ELECTRICIAN

IRON WORKER, STRUCTURAL..... 3.10

IRON WORKER, REINFORCING..... 2.85

LABORERS

Laborer, general or construction..... 2.05

Operator and tender of Pneumatic and electric tools, vibrating machines, and similar mechanical tools

not separately classified herein..... 2.26

Sewer pipe layer (excluding caulk)..... 2.36

Sewer pipe caulk (using caulking tools)..... 2.24

Sewer pipe caulk (cement joints)..... 2.10

Tarmen and mortarmen..... 2.10

Window cleaner..... 2.77

LATHERS*

Metal Furring Lather..... 3.375

Metal Furring Foreman..... 3.825

Nail-on Lather..... 3.375

Nail-on Foreman..... 3.75

OPERATING ENGINEERS

Air compressor operators..... 2.35

Concrete mixer op-skid type..... 2.50

Tractor op., bulldozer, tamper, scraper, or drag type shovel or boom attachments..... 2.65

Trenching Machine operator..... 2.73

PAINTERS

Brush..... 2.56*

Spray Gun or Sandblaster (7-hour day)..... 2.81*

Sign, Journeyman (7-hour day)..... 2.73*

Carpet, Linoleum and Soft Tile Layer..... 2.90*

Glazier (plus 1 week paid vacation)..... 2.395*

PLASTERERS*

Plasterer..... \$3,4375

Plasterer Foreman..... 3,6875

Plasterer Tender..... 3,1125

PLUMBERS AND FITTERS*

Plumber Foreman..... 3.15

Plumber—Gas or Water Sprinkler Fitter..... 2.90

Plumber—Lead or Cement Caulker..... 2.90

Steam Fitter Foreman..... 3.15

Steam Fitter..... 2.90

Industrial Pipefitter Foreman..... 3.15

Industrial Pipefitter..... 2.90

ROOFER FOREMAN..... 3.00*

ROOFER..... 2.75*

SHEET METAL WORKER..... 2.70*

TRUCK DRIVERS

Drivers—Dump truck—less than 4 yds. water level..... 2.13

Drivers—Dump trucks—4 yds. but less than 8—water level..... 2.16

Drivers—Dump trucks—8 yds. but less than 12—water level..... 2.21

Drivers—trucks—legal payload cap.—less than 6 tons..... 2.13

Drivers—trucks—legal payload cap., between 6 & 10 tons..... 2.16

Drivers—trucks—legal payload cap.—between 10 and 15 tons..... 2.21

Drivers of transit mix trucks, under 3 yards..... 2.37

Drivers of transit mix trucks, 3 yards or more..... 2.51

* Plus Health and Welfare.

Except as noted in the wage schedule, the rates of per diem wages for each of the various classifications of work shall be hereinbelow set forth prevailing rates of hourly wages multiplied by eight (8). Eight (8) hours shall constitute a day's work; it being understood that in the event that workmen are employed less than eight (8) hours per day, the per diem wages shall be deemed to be that fraction of the per diem wages herein established that the number of hours of employment bears to eight (8) hours.

Overtime shall be paid for work performed in excess of the regular day's or week's work and at the rate for overtime of the craft involved.

Holidays as herein referred to shall be deemed to be New Years Day, Decoration Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Armistice Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas. If any of the above holidays fall on Sunday, the Monday following shall be considered a legal holiday.

It shall be mandatory upon the Contractor to whom a contract is awarded, and upon all sub-contractors under him, to pay no less than said general prevailing rates of per diem wages to all workmen employed in the execution of the contract.

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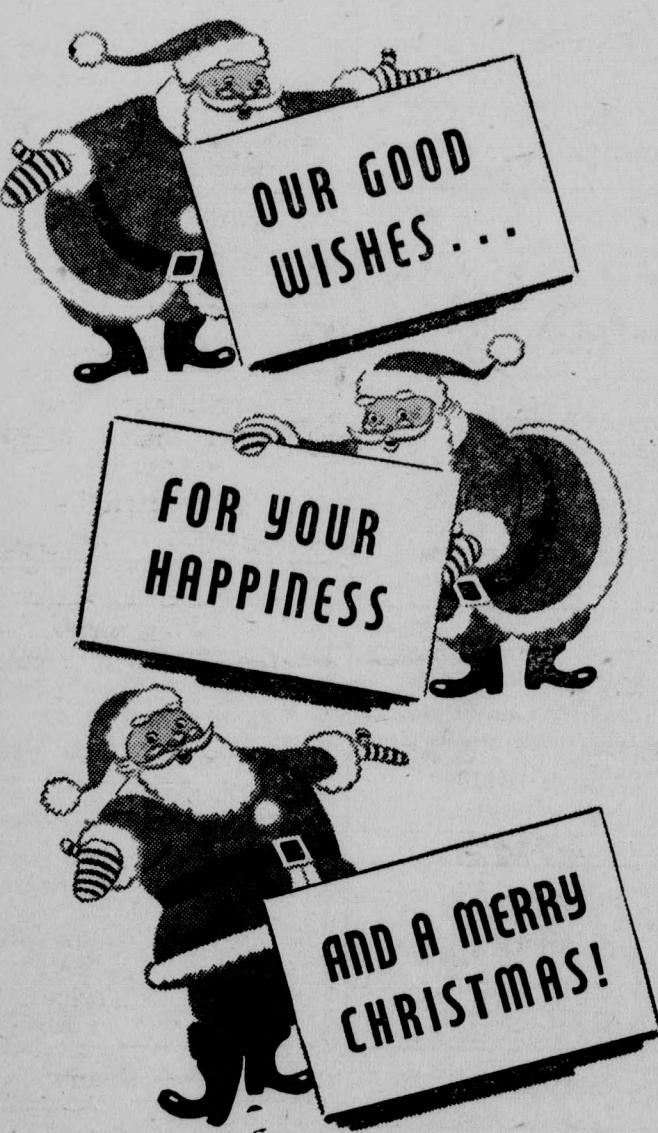
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The back shop was strangely quiet, the presses and linotype machine chatter stilled because their operators were gone a-partying.

Same way in the front office of the newspaper, typewriters covered, telephones mute, pastepots and soft pencils stashed away, copy paper and classified ad forms hastily stacked. We'd ALL gone a-partying.

Saturday night the NEWS staff had a Christmas party. Dinner hosts were Edgar W. and Virginia Jenkins, NEWS publishers and owners.

Recalls Earlier Days

Joining in the dinner-table shop talk were husbands and wives of staff members. But it wasn't all shop talk. Lee Shippey, author, columnist, and long-time Sierra Madre resident, recalled earlier days of the NEWS, comparing the town of 27 years ago, "when everyone seemed to know everyone else" and now when, he said, "I had to be introduced to half of the NEWS employees."

There wasn't a dull moment. Frederick W. T. Hawkins, printing shop foreman and a senior member of the staff, tastefully rendered several vocal selections. What should we call them, Freddie? Old English madrigals?

A Word From . . .

"Boogie" Brogger, sports editor, deserted his beloved sports field to tell a story of his own

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composition about a "private, private eye" but retired in confusion when he remembered he had forgotten the ending. To be continued at our next.

Present were the Jenkinsons, Mr. and Mrs. Shippey, Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Schweppie, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Keller, Bob Brogger, Ray Cheroske, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Lumbard, Mr. and Mrs. Peter G. Lubisich.

P. S.: Everyone was on deck Monday ayem. —V.H.L.

Crafts, Films For Children At City School

Holiday-harried parents with small children home from school and a post-Christmas let-down in small fry excitement to face, will find they have a friend in the City Recreation commission, jointly supported by City, School and County funds.

The Recreation commission, of which Ralph M. Welch is chairman and Phillip T. Mitchell is director, is sponsoring a four-day recreation program Dec. 28 through Dec. 31 at the Sierra Madre Elementary school. Open to all youngsters of the second through the sixth grades, the schedule includes general craft activity daily 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Afternoon of the same days, from 1 to 3 p.m., motion pictures will be shown and a variety of organized games and contests will be featured.

Christmas Seal sale funds were used in 1952 to provide grants for 35 medical research projects on tuberculosis and 20 teaching and research fellowships.

Scanning the Sportscene

With "Boogie" Brogger

Before we put 1953 in the record books, let's look back and see what happened in the way of sports here locally . . .

First off it was the crusade for raising money for the pool. So far we haven't done too much toward the pool, but if we work, we'll probably know where we're going to have it installed by this time next year.

Then it was our great rope climber, Muir Thompson, who hit the headlines. Muir almost broke the city's rope climbing record. In fact, he did, unofficially. He did it during the preliminary meet, and the records are official. When the final meet came along, he did it in 3.6 seconds. The record was 3.5.

On March 12 it was the Pasadena Nazarene Crusaders that drew everybody's interest. For they went to Kansas City after winning one of the closest basketball games you'll ever see. They beat Whittier 68-67 in an overtime. However, they didn't do too well in Kansas City. But we're planning to see them this year, and really go to town.

And—oh yes—our "gun totin' school teacher," Margaret Culbertson, won the National women's pistol championship. She is now the top woman pistol shooter of the United States. I think that was the most exciting thing that we heard all year.

And finally this year's terrible Junior Rose Bowl game, I needn't say more about THAT!

Well, that was 1953, now let's get on with '54. As you know—Michigan State is going to defeat UCLA by 3 touchdowns. You may be laughing now—but just wait and see!

Now, listen! We want every one of you to have a very, very Merry, Merry Christmas!

SIERRA MADRE FLOAT From page 1

as noon on Dec. 29 and Col. Marriott is rounding up 15-man (woman and teenage) teams of workers to decorate in two-, three- and four-hour shifts. He's meeting with good response, he says, but still more are needed, especially a reserve supply for New Year's Eve.

Cooperating with the chairmen are such organizations and individuals as: the Civic club, the Sierra Madre PTA, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, Congregational, Bethany, Nazarene and St. Rita's churches, Gerald Wilson, Frank Barber and others.



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Private Rites On Dec. 19 for Flora Farman

A private funeral service was held Saturday, Dec. 19, at Mt. View mausoleum for Mrs. Flora March Farman, age 88, who died Dec. 16 in a Monrovia rest home.

Entombment at the mausoleum also was private. The brief service was conducted by Dr. Ethel Barnhart of the Church of Religious Science. Funeral arrangements were completed by Ripple mortuary.

Until a year and a half ago, Mrs. Farman had been a Sierra Madre resident since 1908, having come to California in 1895 from Mason City, Iowa.

She is survived by a son, G. I. Farman, 205 W. Orange Grove, Sierra Madre; a brother, Henry S. Stanberry of Iowa, and one grandchild.



Our thoughts, like good angels, fly to you
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